

Tabs for Kids Help Your Local Shriners



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Pop Fizzzz... GULP, GULP, GULP... Aaaahh... REFRESHING!

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As you open and enjoy your bubbly beverage, you might think how it quenches your thirst. How cold and wet it is going down your hot, parched throat. That it refreshes and revives you on even your bluest times. Many people don't know that it can also help a child in need.

A Little Piece of Help

When you look at a can of your favorite beverage, you see a design, a logo and even a list of ingredients and nutrition information. The can is made of aluminum, which in certain states might be redeemed for as much as a dime. But did you know that the tabs that you use to open the can with are worth something too? Your local Shriners collect these little pieces of aluminum and cash them in as an effort to pay for the care of an ill or disabled child at a Shriner's Hospital for Children.

Why They Do It

The Shriners collect the pull-tabs for 3 reasons; First, by recycling the aluminum the Shriners are being environmentally friendly, this is because it requires approximately 15% of the total energy to recycle the already refined

aluminum rather than mine new aluminum. It allows others to help without additional cost to them. And, most importantly, it's also another way to help kids receive care regardless of patients' or their parents' ability to pay at the Shriner's Hospitals for Children by paying for that care.

Why Just the Tab?

The answer to the question of why the tab and not the whole can is because of the size and the amount of space to store it in. Pull the tab off of your beverage can and look at it in comparison to the can itself. The can is 26.5 times as heavy and much larger than the tab, yet there is as much aluminum (or maybe more) in the tab as there is in the whole rest of the can. It takes roughly 35 cans to equal a pound of aluminum and about 930 tabs to equal that same pound with less space. So, the Shriner who is collecting these tabs is able to take more tabs than he would be cans. That helps turn more into usable money for the Shriner's Hospitals for Children.

Now You Know!

With all of this in mind, take that tab in your hand and donate it right away to your local Shrine Club. A tab can make a difference in a child's life as much as a dime can make a difference. How REFRESHING is that?